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A big dollar's worth. All the county news.

CONFEDERATE SOLDIER'S HOME. an inmate feeling the need of a

Mrs. C. G. Trevathan Eloquently Describes a Visit There.

Through a great desire of my own, and at the request of others, l last month visited the Confederate Soldiers' Home, near Nashville, while in that city attending the Confederate reunion.

It was an ideal autumnal afternoon. Balmy breezes, fragrant with the scent of new mown clover came in gentle undulating waves, and the mellow sun of Indian summer cast its gentle warmth over the fair scenes surrounding the magnificent home, which is an honor to the state and a sure enough haven of peace and happiness to the old wearers of the gray. How my heart swelled with pride that I was a Tennessean as 1 beheld the almost palatial mansion, with its large Corinthian columns, surrounded by extensive well-kept grounds, over the soft velvety grass of which the old beroes strolled contented and happy. As I stood in rapt admiration, gazing at the pleasing scene around me, the musical "cling-clang" of a cow's bell came melodiously to my ears from the meadow, and I tho't to myself, "Where can one find another picture half so homelike and fair?"

Accompanied by Mr. McDonald, the manager, and Capt. John T. Hickman and wife, who are connected with the institution, I visited every department of this splendid tribute of gratitude and appreciation of the state and people to the fenders of the Lost Cause. The institution pleasingly filled me with the thought that though forty-one years have passed since the Southern soldier shouldered his gun and went forth to fight for his constitutional rights, his heroism, valor and selfsacrifice are still remembered, and will continue to be so as long as there beats one true Southern heart.

The grounds surrounding the Home are surpassingly beautiful, and one can scarcely imagine a more picturesque, pleasing view than that which greets the eye in every direction. Far away across the fields of golden corn, and over the rolling hills, I felt that I would never tire of gazing.

I found the hospital well kept, neat and clean, the cots being of snowy whiteness and supplied with Memphis Conference. everything for the comfort and welfare of the sick, who receive the tenderest nursing and the most expert medical skill. For several of the inmates, who are entirely disabled, there are rolling chairs in which the helpless invalids are kindly pushed about by their more fortunate comrades.

The reading room and library is well lighted, airy and inviting. There are a large number of books, and the tables are covered with current literature, by which those who choose can keep posted on what is transpiring in the great busy world outside.

The kitchen and dining room I found models of cleanliness, and the old soldiers informed me that the fare was wholesome and plentiful, and that they had no occasion to complain about their diet or the way it was prepared.

Cleanliness is one of the princitidy and neat, where at any time bath can take one, and obey one the chief commands of health.

There is an abundance of pure drinking water, and the building is scientifically ventilated, excellently lighted and in the winter comfortably heated.

It is worth a visit to the home just to see the fat, sleek-coated kine grazing in meadows, knee deep in blue grass, and to visit the dairy and see the great churns, the vessels of rich cream and many

pounds of golden butter. I talked with a number of old soldiers, all of whom expressed themselves as well pleased with the treatment they received, and well they should be, for it seemed to me that nothing had been left undone for their comfort and happiness. The only cause of complaint any of them had, was that they were lonesome at times, and grew tired of talking among themselves, and that it was a great number of visitors.

love, except those near and dear upon the child, either by direct to me by kindred ties, it is an hon | influence or suggestion, is necesorable old Confederate soldier, and sary to a school. next the one in my admiration and honor to which he is entitled, sanitation, but should join the for a lifetime? that can be bestowed.

twenty-five years, eleven of which fear we do not realize how much force of character to stand for have already passed, and by the beautiful surroundings mean to something in the community in no need to renew it, for all of that some children whose lives are conviction and principle, and his noble band will probably have cheerless. How can the influence people must recognize his worth. passed the picket line of the bor- of neat and attractive surround- He must be literary, refined in der land and answered to the roll ings be estimated? Although taste, a gentlemen in thought, incall of the Great General. But heredity in a great degree deter- stinct and conduct. they will live in the memory of a mines character, environment is of He must have an open eager grateful people, and their deeds of no small importance. valor and patriotism will be told in song and story as long as time has commenced to beautify the executive ability and fine business shall last.

MRS. C. G. TREVATHAN, President Charity Green Trevathan Chapter, D. of C.

CRYSTAL.

John D. Killion was here Sunday to see a special triend.

Crystal is very quiet these days. It reminds us very much of a Populite graveyard.

Mr. Lee Covington spent several days with his mother in Number Seven last week. Brothers Lowery and J. R. Clear

left Monday for Paris to attend the A. L. Parrish and Martin Cloar

went to town Saturday night to see Jumbo the big "hoss"

Mrs. Lowery, of Water Valley, son, Rev. T. J. Lowery.

Voss Williams, who has been in Missouri for several months, was mingling with old friends Sunday. Our friend and neighbor, A. Rogers, who has been confined to his room for several days, is improving

Late Sunday evening Prof. Parrish donned his long "scissor-tailed" coat, mounted the Rapid Transit and went to see a special friend.

Mr. Givens, who recently bought the little ones. the R. L. Kersey dry goods and grocery store.

The Methodists at Antioch seem to be moving up at a rapid rate this year. The pastor and presiding elder's salary and various connectional claims have all been paid in full. Rev. Lowery said no one, be pal rules of the institution; there- he a D. D. or not, would be more LIVE EDUCATIONAL TOPICS.

To Teachers.

Friday, November 28, has been set apart by our State Superintendent as arbor day. Being in tull accord with this movement, it is my sanguine hope that every teacher in spend the day in decorating the inother improvements which will add to the beauty of the school premises. Pleasant environments are very potent in the production of high-grade men and women.

When I visit the schools it will be my delight to thank the teachers to show to such a one the imporfor the good work they have done. Yours, etc.

J. M. MOORE,

BDAUTIFYING THE SCHOOL PREMISES school. Every possible adjunct the first." If there is anything or anyone I which might operate favorably

which should be as great as any sesthetic to the useful and make He must be an individual of high our school premises as beautiful moral purposes and a clean char-The building was leased for as our resources will permit. I acter. He must have sufficient time the lease expires there will be our pupils. Everywhere we find which he lives; he must have some

worth years of work. This work He must be able to love children render them more cheerful, happy jects. and lovable.

Cultivate beauty also inside the building. Here too, if you are Ky., is the guest this week of her careful, tasteful and persistent, with the mumps. many will cooperate with you. The primary hall is the most attractive one in the building. Here we have nice single desks, slate blackboards, and on the walls several pictures, suggestive and instructive. Mrs. George Dahnke has kindly sent her flowers to us for the winter, and in our windows we have geraniums, ferns and palms. Children love the beauti-Rev. Mr. New is safely entrench- ful, and let us as teachers make ed behind the counters as clerk for our schoolrooms ideal homes for

J. K. T.

There are fewer bad boys than we are willing to admit. Mischief is not meanness, simply misdirected energy. Intentional wrong doing is often farthest from the boy's mind. The force of temptation, fore there are nice bath rooms, proud of making his report than he. which is nearly always the result St. L. Depot. Agent for the Fayof idleness, and impulse overcomes | Sholes and Oliver typewriters.

his own choice and power of resistance. The teacher who, through ill temper or haste, makes an example of such an unlooked for infraction, makes a great blunder. The evils of the Human heart cannot be cured by harshness. In the county will properly observe the every school room there is the boy appointed day; if needed, see that who knows nothing of the princichoice trees are properly planted ples of honesty and justice from on the school grounds; otherwise home training. His very countenance tells the sad story of his side of schoolhouse and making any neglect and shows you that his entire life has been under a cloud. Ought we not to get near to such children, find the shortest way to their hearts and lift this cloud.

It should be our aim and purpose tance of right living and the worth of a good name. Impressions can County Superintendent. be made that will not be lost.

"Childhood is an impression, middle life is a duty, old age is a It is not enough to put four memory. The success and honor walls over a roof, fill the enclosed of the second with the sweetness space with children, place a teach- and beauty of the third, are largetreat to them when there were a er in charge and call the whole a ly determined by the character of

THE COMING TEACHER.

It is already decreed that this teacher must have only one vaca-We as teachers should not be tion and only one place of work esteem is he who does him the satisfied with good order and good for many years at least-why not

mind, and must cultivate the stu-The Union City Public School dent habit. He must have some yard. Shade trees have been qualities; his address must be atplanted, nice brick pavements have tractive and his personality pleasbeen laid around the building, and ing; and he must not become too the yard is to be turfed, and in old or too wise to leave his work summer "with daisies pied." The occasionally and enter some of our pupils are encouraged. They are great universities for study and interested in the work, and have keep himself in touch with the contributed their little offering of great seats of refinment and centers flowers for the purpose of beauti- of thought. He must be able to fying the school premises. To love some trait of everybody and have a charming school yard is appreciate merit wherever found.

will not only teach children some with all the tenderness of an ardent practical botany, but will lead nature. Such a man will comthem to love and cultivate flowers, mand money, influence and power develop their tender natures and as an emperor commands his sub-

NUMBER SEVEN.

Miss Mabel Stovall has been sick

Hallet Olive is getting well, we are pleased to say.

Miss Flora Agnew, of Number Four, visited friends here last week. Mr. Jeff Collier and wife spent a few days in this neighborhood last

The infant child of Mr. Moses died Monday of last week and was buried at Caue Creek.

Bert Clement, Dode Stephens, Albert Conn and Bud Jackson went to the Lake last week; John Chrenshaw, colored, cook and chaperone.

Mr. Will Wagster and Miss Luna Coley were united in the holy bonds of matrimony Sunday afternoon, the 9th inst., at the bride's home, Rev. Moore officiating. We wish them a long and happy life.

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